Amendment U.S. Serial No. 10/603,572 Inventor: Jason DEAN

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REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to recite in relevant part "an electronic compass module that responds only to magnetic fields, said electronic compass module in electrical communication with said control module." Support for the amendment in claim 1 is found throughout the Specification and the Drawings and at least at paragraphs [00035] in the amendment to the Specification filed on July 12, 2005, under incorporation by reference practice, and in original paragraph [00048]. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendment of claim 1 does not introduce new matter. In addition, Applicant respectfully suggests that the explicit recitation that the electronic compass module is only responsive to magnetic fields does not further limit the claim element. The present amendment makes clear that the compass module responds only to magnetic fields and not to other kinds of fields. That distinction is also one that is based on common knowledge of the working of a magnetic compass. Therefore, Applicant believes that the claim element, as previously amended, and as it is presently amended, is understood by one of ordinary skill in the magnetic compass arts to relate to compasses that respond only to magnetic fields, because that is what magnetic compasses do.

Applicant reiterates, and incorporates by reference as if fully set forth herein, the arguments previously made about the Airey reference.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant has amended claim 1 to explicitly recite "an electronic compass module that responds only to magnetic fields."

Applicant submits that Claims 1-10, and 21-30 are now in proper condition for allowance, and requests the issuance of a Notice of Allowance at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's attorney at the phone number noted below.

Respectfully submitted,

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